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- 1. Online Credit Card Payment Authorization in the amount of \$1,050.00 to cover the fee for response within third month;
- 2. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) (PTO/SB/22);
- 3. Amendment And Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116; and
- 4. Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 Of Dr. Stephen Philip Marsden, with *Curriculum Vitae* attached.

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